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**Supplemental  
Notice of Allowability**

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Examiner

Kevin M. Bernatz

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to interview of 11/9/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3,5 and 18-22.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)                       |
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***Examiner's Amendment***

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Roland Martin on November 9, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

- The specification on page 5, line 9 was amended as follows: the phrase "A laminate relating to Claim 1" was replaced with "The laminate one";
- The specification on page 5, line 18 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 2" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized";
- The specification on page 5, line 22 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 3" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized";
- The specification on page 6, line 3 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 4" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized";
- The specification on page 6, line 5 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 5" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized";

- The specification on page 6, line 7 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 6” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;
- The specification on page 6, line 9 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 7” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;
- The specification on page 6, line 11 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 8” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;
- The specification on page 6, line 13 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 9” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;
- The specification on page 6, line 15 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 10” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;
- The specification on page 6, line 17 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 11” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;
- The specification on page 6, line 19 was amended as follows: the phrase “described in Claim 12” was deleted and the word “further” was inserted before “characterized”;

- The specification on page 6, line 21 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 13" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized";
- The specification on page 6, line 23 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 14" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized"; and
- The specification on page 7, line 1 was amended as follows: the phrase "described in Claim 15" was deleted and the word "further" was inserted before "characterized".

### ***Conclusion***

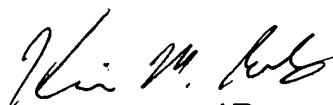
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kevin M. Bernatz whose telephone number is (571) 272-1505. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carol Chaney can be reached on (571) 272-1284. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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KMB  
November 9, 2005

  
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